

Senate File 2305 - Introduced

SENATE FILE 2305
BY COMMITTEE ON STATE
GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3102)

(COMPANION TO LSB 5241HV BY
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to emergency management assistance in a
2 disaster emergency concerning mutual aid arrangements and
3 agreements.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 29C.6, subsection 7, Code 2014, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 7. On behalf of this state, enter into mutual aid
4 arrangements with other states, including mutual aid
5 arrangements with other states that extend the terms and
6 conditions set forth in the interstate emergency management
7 assistance compact described in section 29C.21 to situations in
8 which an emergency or disaster proclamation has not been made
9 by the governor of an affected state, and to coordinate mutual
10 aid plans between political subdivisions of this state.

11 Sec. 2. Section 29C.8, subsection 3, paragraph f,
12 subparagraph (1), Code 2014, is amended to read as follows:

13 (1) A member of a homeland security and emergency response
14 team acting under this section upon the directive of the
15 director or pursuant to a governor's disaster emergency
16 proclamation as provided in section 29C.6 shall be considered
17 an employee of the state for purposes of section 29C.21 and
18 chapter 669 and shall be afforded protection as an employee
19 of the state under section 669.21. Disability, workers'
20 compensation, and death benefits for team members working under
21 the authority of the director or pursuant to the provisions of
22 section 29C.6 shall be paid by the state in a manner consistent
23 with the provisions of chapter 85, 410, or 411 as appropriate,
24 depending on the status of the member, provided that the member
25 is registered with the department as a member of an approved
26 team and is participating as a team member in a response or
27 recovery operation initiated by the director or governor
28 pursuant to this section or in a training or exercise activity
29 approved by the director.

30 EXPLANATION

31 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
32 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

33 This bill concerns the department of homeland security and
34 emergency management as it relates to disaster emergencies.

35 Code section 29C.6, concerning the proclamation of a

1 disaster emergency by the governor, is amended to provide
2 that the governor's authority to enter into mutual aid
3 arrangements with other states may include arrangements that
4 extend the terms and conditions of the interstate emergency
5 management assistance compact to situations in which a disaster
6 proclamation of an affected state has not been made by that
7 state's governor.

8 Code section 29C.8(3) is amended to provide that the
9 reference to the governor's proclamation as provided in Code
10 section 29C.6 is for a disaster emergency.